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U. S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE.

BUREAU OF BIOLOGICAL SURVEY.

E. W. NELSON, Chief of Bureau.

SERVICE AND REGULATORY ANNOUNCEMENTS.

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS OF THE REGULATIONS OF AUGUST 21, 1916, FOR THE PROTECTION OF MIGRATORY BIRDS.

Washington, D. C., July 6, 1917.

Pursuant to the provisions of the act of March 4, 1913 (37 Stat., 847), authorizing and directing the Department of Agriculture to adopt suitable regulations prescribing and fixing closed seasons for migratory birds, regulations, copy of which is hereto annexed, amendatory of the regulations for the protection of migratory birds approved by the President of the United States August 21, 1916, have been prepared, are hereby made public, and are hereby proposed for adoption after allowing a period of three months in which the same may be examined and considered.

These regulations, as finally adopted, will become effective on or after October 15, 1917, whenever approved by the President.

Public hearings on the proposed regulations will be held by the Bureau of Biological Survey of this department whenever deemed necessary. Inquiries in reference thereto should be addressed to the Secretary of Agriculture.

D. F. Houston,

Secretary of Agriculture.

Pursuant to the provisions of the act of March 4, 1913 (37 Stat., 847), authorizing and directing the Department of Agriculture to adopt suitable regulations prescribing and fixing closed seasons for migratory birds, having due regard to zones of temperature, breeding habits, and times and line of migratory flight, the Department of Agriculture has prepared and hereby makes public, for examination and consideration before final adoption, the following regulations amendatory of the regulations for the protection of migratory birds approved and proclaimed by the President on August 21, 1916:

REGULATION 2.—CLOSED SEASON AT NIGHT.

Regulation 2 is amended so as to read as follows:

A daily closed season on all migratory game and insectivorous birds shall extend from sunset to half an hour before sunrise.

REGULATION 7.—CLOSED SEASONS IN ZONE NO. 1.

Regulation 7, subtitle "Waterfowl, Coots, and Gallinules," is amended so as to read as follows:

Waterfowl, coot, and gallinules.—The closed seasons on waterfowl, coot, and gallinules shall be as follows:

In Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts, New York (except Long Island), Pennsylvania, Ohio, West Virginia, Kentucky, Indiana, Michigan, Wisconsin, Illinois, Missouri, Iowa, Minnesota, North Dakota, South Dakota, Nebraska, Kansas, Colorado, Wyoming, Montana, Idaho, Nevada, and that portion of the States of Oregon and Washington lying east of the summit of the Cascade Mountains the closed season shall be between January 1 and September 15 next following; and

In Rhode Island, Connecticut, that portion of New York known as Long Island, New Jersey, Utah, and that portion of the States of Oregon and Washington lying west of the summit of the Cascade Mountains the closed season shall be between January 16 and September 30 next following.

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE.

BUREAU OF BIOLOGICAL SURVEY.

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SERVICE AND REGULATORY ANNOUNCEMENTS.

AMENDMENTS TO REGULATIONS FOR THE PROTECTION OF DEER, MOOSE, CARIBOU, SHEEP, AND MOUNTAIN GOATS IN ALASKA.

[Approved July 23, 1917.]

By virtue of the authority conferred upon the Secretary of Agriculture by section 2 of the act of May 11, 1908 (35 Stat., 102), entitled "An act to amend an act entitled 'An act for the protection of game in Alaska, and for other purposes,' approved June 7, 1902," regulation 5 of the Regulations for the Protection of Deer, Moose, Caribou, Sheep, and Mountain Goats in Alaska, approved July 24, 1916, is hereby amended, effective August 1, 1917, to read as follows:

REGULATION 5.—DEER ON CERTAIN ISLANDS.

The killing of deer on Kodiak Island and Long Island, and the killing of deer on the following islands in southeastern Alaska: Duke Island, near Dixon Inlet; Gravina Island, near Ketchikan; Kruzof Island, west of Sitka; San Juan Island and Suemez Island, near Klawak; and Zerembo Island, near Wrangell, is hereby prohibited until August 1, 1918; and the killing of deer on the islands of Hinchinbrook and Montague, in Prince William Sound, is hereby prohibited until August 1, 1919.

The said Regulations for the Protection of Deer, Moose, Caribou, Sheep, and Mountain Goats in Alaska, approved July 24, 1916, are hereby further amended, effective August 1, 1917, by the addition of a regulation numbered 9, as follows:

REGULATION 9.—EWES AND LAMBS.

The killing of female mountain sheep or lambs on the Kenai Peninsula and in that part of Alaska north of latitude 60° and west of longitude 141° is hereby prohibited until August 1, 1919.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the Department of Agriculture to be affixed this 23d day of July, 1917.

SEAL.

D. F. Houston, Secretary of Agriculture.

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SERVICE AND REGULATORY ANNOUNCEMENTS.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 15,1917.

AMENDMENTS OF THE REGULATIONS PROMULGATED AUGUST 21, 1916, FOR THE PROTECTION OF MIGRATORY BIRDS.

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, A PROCLAMATION.

Whereas, by virtue of the authority and direction contained in the Act of Congress approved March fourth, nineteen hundred and thirteen (37 Stat., 847), entitled "An Act making appropriations for the Department of Agriculture for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, nineteen hundred and fourteen," the Department of Agriculture has prepared, has finally adopted, and has caused to be engrossed and submitted to the President of the United States for approval, the following regulations amending regulations two and seven of the regulations for the protection of migratory birds approved and promulgated on August 21, 1916:

REGULATION 2.—CLOSED SEASON AT NIGHT.

Regulation 2 is amended so as to read as follows:

A daily closed season on all migratory game and insectivorous birds shall extend from sunset to half an hour before sunrise.

REGULATION 7.—CLOSED SEASONS IN ZONE NO. 1.

Regulation 7, subtitle "Waterfowl, Coot, and Gallinules," is amended so as to read as follows:

Waterfowl, coot, and gallinules.—The closed seasons on waterfowl, coot, and gallinules shall be as follows:

In Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts, New York (except Long Island), Pennsylvania, Ohio, West Virginia, Kentucky, Indiana, Michigan, Wisconsin, Illinois, Missouri, Iowa, Minnesota, North Dakota, South Dakota, Nebraska, Kansas, Colorado, Wyoming, Montana, Idaho, Nevada, and that portion of the States of Oregon and Washington lying east of the summit of the

Cascade Mountains the closed season shall be between January 1 and September 15 next following; and

In Rhode Island, Connecticut, that portion of New York known as Long Island, New Jersey, Utah, and that portion of the States of Oregon and Washington lying west of the summit of the Cascade Mountains the closed season shall be between January 16 and September 30 next following.

AND WHEREAS, the Department of Agriculture after the preparation of said amendatory regulations has caused the same to be made public and has allowed a period of three months in which the same might be examined and considered before final adoption;

Now, Therefore, I, Woodrow Wilson, President of the United States of America, by virtue of the authority in me vested by the aforesaid Act of Congress, do hereby approve, proclaim and make known the foregoing amendatory regulations.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the United States to be affixed.

Done in the District of Columbia, this tenth day of October in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and seventeen and of the Independence of the United States the one hundred and forty-second.

[SEAL.]
By the President:

ROBERT LANSING,

Secretary of State.

Woodrow Wilson.

United States Department of Agriculture,

BUREAU OF BIOLOGICAL SURVEY.

E. W. NELSON, Chief of Bureau.

SERVICE AND REGULATORY ANNOUNCEMENTS.

REGULATION TO PREVENT DESTRUCTION OF GAME BY DOGS ON THE KENAI PENINSULA, ALASKA.

Whereas dogs are running at large on the Kenai Peninsula within the districts inhabited by game animals and are destroying such animals and their young; and

Whereas it is important at this time to prevent unnecessary destruction of game animals which furnish a supply of meat in Alaska:

Now, THEREFORE, by virtue of authority conferred upon the Secretary of Agriculture by section 2 of the act of May 11, 1908 (35 Stat., 102), entitled "An act to amend an act entitled 'An act for the protection of game in Alaska, and for other purposes,' approved June 7, 1902," the following regulation is made and published to take effect November 1, 1917:

REGULATION 1.—PREVENTING DESTRUCTION OF GAME BY DOGS ON THE KENAI PENINSULA.

Killing moose and caribou with dogs, allowing moose and caribou to be killed by dogs, allowing moose and caribou to be killed for food for dogs, or permitting dogs to hunt moose and caribou on the Kenai Peninsula is hereby prohibited for a period of two years. No dogs shall be allowed to run at large or, unless accompanied by or under the immediate control of their owners or custodians, shall be allowed on the Kenai Peninsula outside the immediate vicinity of the towns of Hope, Kenai, Roosevelt, Seldovia, Seward, and Sunrise. For the purposes of this regulation the immediate vicinity of the towns shall be considered to mean one mile in any direction from the post office.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the Department of Agriculture to be affixed this 19th day of October, 1917.

[SEAL.]

D. F. Houston, Secretary of Agriculture.

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